

D. C. WATER SUPPLY PROVISION DROPPED BY SUBCOMMITTEE
Item of \$200,000 Omitted From Urgent Needs in War Secretary's List.

REDRAFTED ARMY BILL READY FOR COMMITTEE

Although He Failed to Emphasize Water Emergency, Mr. Weeks Did Not Oppose Action.

The item of \$200,000 for preliminary work for development of the water supply of the district, which was carried in the Army appropriation bill that failed last session, has been omitted from the redrafted bill which it is expected will be reported to the House on Monday.

The Subcommittee on Army appropriations of the House appropriations committee, of which subcommittee Representative Daniel R. Anthony of Kansas is chairman, has redrafted the bill for submission to the full appropriations committee on Monday.

Representative Anthony said today that the district item of \$200,000, a preliminary step to development of an adequate water supply, was not included in this bill because the project was not urgently recommended by the Secretary of War.

Secretary Weeks in his recommendation did not in any way oppose the two-hundred-thousand-dollar item for the district water supply, but in submitting suggestions to the committee regarding items that might be omitted if the committee was determined to reduce the total amount carried in the Army budget, the district item was among those which the Secretary failed to urgently recommend as of immediate necessity.

WATER SITUATION A MENACE

Gen. Taylor Joins Other Engineers in Calling Problem Serious.

Gen. Taylor, acting chief of engineers of the United States Army, declared today Washington's water supply problem carries a menace to the city which may develop at any time in a complete breakdown of the service. The statement gave emphasis to a situation already stressed by Army engineers as serious. It was made before he was apprised of the decision to report the Army bill to the House.

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Defending Attorney Hurt at Home Brew

Explodes in Court LEAVENWORTH, Kan., April 23.—While defending Richard Coppersmith in court on a charge of manufacturing home brew, B. F. Enders picked up a bottle as he questioned a witness.

"Would you call this—" began the attorney. He was interrupted by a loud report. Flying glass from the bottle cut an artery in his wrist and broke a lens of his glasses.

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URGES AN EMBARGO ON GERMAN DYES

D. A. R. Unanimously Adopts Resolution Opposing Importation of Product.

Importation of German dyes into the United States was formally opposed today at the thirtieth congress of the D. A. R., in session at the Continental Memorial Hall here.

The resolution acted upon by the congress formally indorsed the movement for an embargo against the importation of these German products.

Renewed importation of German dyes, the resolution read, will not only impede the recently discovered American industry, but will greatly interfere with domestic chemical research under the United States Chemical Warfare Service.

The resolution was introduced this morning by Miss Janet Richards, was favorably reported by the resolutions committee and adopted without a dissenting voice.

Advocacy of Yorktown Bill. The proposed bill for making Yorktown, Va., a national military park will be introduced in the House of Representatives by Representative Newton of Minnesota. This information was given by the congressional committee, James T. Morris, a vice president general, who asked that every individual member of the D. A. R. get in touch personally with her congressmen and push the bill to final passage.

Reports of State Regents. Reports of state regents of Florida, Arizona, Vermont, New Mexico, South Carolina, Kentucky and Maine were presented at the morning session.

Another resolution offered by Miss Richards urged the establishment in every school of a junior republic, the plans for which call for allotting of a certain time each day to teaching the children their duties as citizens, including the nomination and election of officers from their number. It was sent to the resolutions committee.

Gen. Edwards reported to have been elected to the congress to attend a patriotic celebration at Fredericksburg, Va., on May 21 next was moved by Dr. R. A. G. of Alexandria, state regent for Virginia. It went to the resolutions committee.

Contrary to Constitution. "It is contrary to the board of education work for the repeal of the present vaccination law in the District of Columbia, as this law is clearly an infringement of our constitutional rights as American citizens."

The existing practice of medical examination in the schools, dietetic clinics and the proposed legislation to compel health education in the schools smacks of paternalism and autocracy."

Dr. Fowler for a report, the health officer replied as follows:

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DEMOCRATS FIGHT EDWARDS' BOOST

Senators Have No Personal Feeling, But Ask Further Investigation.

The nomination of Brig. Gen. Clarence R. Edwards, first commander overseas of the 26th Division, the New England National Guard, to be major general was considered at a meeting of the Senate military affairs committee this afternoon. Opposition on the part of democratic senators developed at a meeting of the committee yesterday.

A demand for records in the War Department relating to Gen. Edwards was made by the democrats, and the information desired was promised.

The opposition to the promotion of Gen. Edwards reported to have been based upon his military record and reasons on file in the War Department.

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Democratic members of the committee said today that they had no personal feeling against Gen. Edwards, but that they felt the matter should be further investigated.

The suggestion was made at the meeting that while under Attorney General Palmer's recent opinion the amount of beer or wine prescribed by a physician over a given period could not be limited, it was believed that the amount of individual prescriptions could be limited to a reasonable maximum.

It would not be practical, he said, to require a patient for whom two or three bottles of beer a day might be prescribed, to obtain a prescription for each day.

Insistence of beer and wine regulations, Mr. Kramer emphasized, would depend entirely upon the decision of the new internal revenue commissioner. Regulations as prepared for his approval, he said, were merely tentative.

Inspector Makes Threat. Dr. Bell, secretary of the party, said that occasion and when the officer attempted to collect a head tax from Miss Mackenzie she appealed to the court.

The officer finally waived the tax on the ground that Miss Mackenzie was passing through a divorce.

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"HELLO, COP, I'M LOST," 4-YEAR-OLD BOY'S CALL TO D. C. POLICEMAN

"Hello, cop, I'm lost," was the salutation to Policeman Cheney at 17th street and Pennsylvania avenue yesterday afternoon by Chester McPherson, four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald McPherson, 606 21st street.

The boy told the policeman his name, but did not remember his home address. He was taken to the house of detention, reaching there about 2:30 o'clock. Numerous inquiries were made of the police and hospitals by the father about midnight the police notified him the child was being cared for at the house of detention.

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DR. BELL INCENSED OVER DETENTION

Complains to State Department Over Treatment by Immigration Inspector.

Incensed over his treatment by a United States immigration officer which resulted in his wife, his secretary, Miss Catherine Mackenzie and himself spending Tuesday night in the immigration detention building in Vancoboro, Me., Dr. Alexander Graham Bell, inventor of the telephone, is in Washington today to make a complaint to the State Department.

He expected to see Secretary of State Hughes this morning. He said he had decided to take the matter up first with the State Department because he felt international unfriendliness was being developed by the methods of the immigration official with whom he had the encounter.

It is likely he will make a complaint to the Department of Labor also.

Secretary a Canadian. Dr. Bell's secretary is a Canadian. The detention order was issued against her only, and according to the scientist, was animated by spite on the part of the immigration agent.

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